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and then the Indy Region National Racers head for the



October 6 through 12

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Calendar



- Sept 7 Solo Pts 6, Nats Warmup, Double Down, Grissom
Sept 16-19 Solo SCCA Solo National Championships,
Heartland Park Topeka
Sept 21 Rally No. 5, Road to Providence, by Sam Crites
Sept 28 Solo CSCC Points 9, Walesboro
Oct 5 Solo Points 7, Australian Pursuit, 16th St. Stadium
Oct 5-12 Race SCCA National Championship Runoffs,
Heartland Park Topeka
Oct 12 Solo CSCC Points 10, Walesboro
Oct 18-19 Rally US Road Rally Challenge
Oct 19 Solo Points 8, Season Lands at Grissom
Oct 19 Rally No. 6, GTA rally by Wendy & Susan
Oct 31 Rally No. 7, Halloween GTA by Ted & Cara
Nov 2 Solo Workers Invitational, 16th Street Stadium
Nov 9 Solo CSCC Fun Event 2, Walesboro
Nov 16 Rally No. 7, RMs Jeanne & Jay

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Wednesday, August 13, 2008

Lime Rock Park was closed down for an hour and half today to honor Paul Newman. He was attended by his family, close friends, Skip Barber, mechanics on his race team, and those who happened to be at the track. PLN toured the track in his Corvette race-car with his Buick V8 powered Volvo station wagon following. He had come to say goodbye. Diagnosed with terminal cancer, he is not expected to live beyond September. Race driver, actor, humanitarian, family man and friend; they did not come any better.

Another fast and fun summer is coming to an end and we look forward to the final events of the 2008 Indy Region competition calendar. Unfortunately the Fall Frolics Club Race weekend at ORP will not be one of them. The Region will be continuing discussions with track management to try and come up with a solution for fixing the track surface for next year's competition season.

As we start to close the 2008 season, it's time for the annual request to our Indy Region membership to start thinking about 2009 and beyond and what you can do to help the Region. We have many Directors that have been serving on the Indy BoD for quite a few years and we are always looking for new folks to step up and learn more about how the Region works and help it stay fresh and progressive. We have many new ideas for 2009 but can always use new perspectives and energy in implementing them. If you are interested, please contact myself or anyone else on the current Indy BoD. We would love to hear from you.

On a personal note, I have now been the Regional Ex-

ecutive for 3 consecutive years and 4 out of the last 6 years. Many SCCA regions have term limits in their by-laws for officers, but Indy Region does not. I am looking to institute my own personal term limit, so I am hoping that we can find a replacement for me at the end of this term. It's time for a fresh perspective and enthusiasm to lead the Region. I do plan on remaining active within the Region and plan on asking to remain on the Board of Directors and working to keep our Race Program running. I hope that the other core officers from the past several years remain involved as well.

As always, if you have any questions feel free to contact me. See you on track, on the road, or between the cones!

"The only limit to your impact is your imagination and commitment." – Anthony Robbins.



THANKS AGAIN, WORKERS (Our All-Volunteer Core) See YOU at the Board Meeting... Share the FUN...

Minutes of Indy Region Board Meeting

By Dick Powell

This is a synopsis of the minutes of the meeting of the Indy Region BOD August 14, 2008 at Dooley O'Tooles, 6:30 PM. There were 10 directors and 7 guests present. Minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

Treasurers Report Rich emailed the report to everyone before the meeting. After minor discussion, the report was approved.

Clutch Chatter August issue was mailed first class in early August. Expenses for the year are still ahead of projected budget. With the smaller mailing lists, we are actually reducing mailing costs by using First Class mail, which is helping with the budget.

Dick requested articles and material for the September issue be presented by August 20 to give time for preparing the newsletter.

Website John is continuing to update and improve the website. He asks anyone finding a snag on the website to let him know so he can make adjustments.

Membership Brian presented his report. Current membership is 470. Brian continues to look for ways to grow the membership and get more people involved.

Activities Lou has had more contact with Newcastle Motorsports. They have open date for September 20, which we could book. For 20 or more persons, the cost would be \$85 per person for 2 hours, and we would have the full track to ourselves. We need to get the information on our website and see how many members (and guests) would be interested.

Rally The rescheduled J-4 rally will be on Sunday August 24. Some of the Champaign Rally Club have indicated they will be coming to our August event.

Sam Crites is Rallymaster for the September rally, and Chuck has done some preliminary checks for him. The date is September 21.

The October Rally is tentatively on hold, pending some

assistance from another rallymaster.

Race Our Fall Frolics Regional Races have been cancelled, and the announcements were made in mid July. We hope the early announcement will not disrupt future schedules. We are still planning on 3 weekends at ORP next year.

The Racetrack previously announced for Prarie Hills is apparently not going to happen, ostensibly due to funding issues. We had great hopes and expectations for the track, but it is not to be.

Solo The Lotus Club Event was quite successful, with good and positive response from everyone. Our solo chairs thanked all the volunteers who came out to make it happen. The club gained some revenue from the event. The Subaru event is scheduled for Saturday, August 23, should also show a slight gain. Mike Benz has a list of volunteers for that event, still needs a few more.

Our next club event is the second half of the Columbus / Indy shootout, scheduled for August 17 at 16th Street.

New Business Raleigh Boreen has had contact with the owner of a car museum on the Northside of town, opening for groups for special events. Lou and Chuck will get together with Raleigh for contact information, to possibly use the location for a club gathering or a Rally endpoint.

Steve Linn has had email contact from someone wanting to promote Street Survival School events in the Indianapolis area, along with support from Tire Rack and others. This could help us get exposure to some younger people for possible future members. Raleigh Boreen has had some experience with these events, and gave a very positive review for the group. The consensus of the board is to pursue further involvement.

Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday September 18. Meeting was adjourned.

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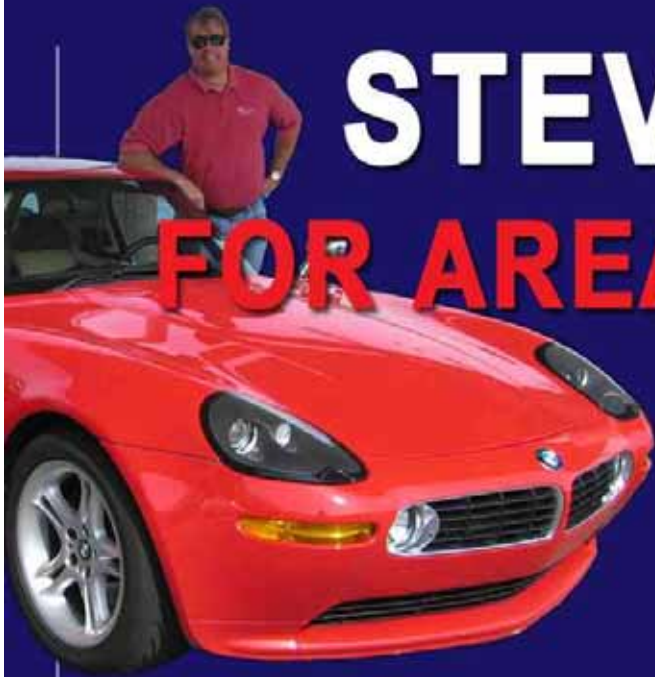
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Solo Report: Solo In Mid Season

by Mike Benz



The 2008 Season is well on its way now with some good competition in several classes. So far the season has went off without a hitch other than the rain/flood cancellation of the Terre Haute event. We are crossing our fingers that this does not happen again this season.

The remainder of the season has a few holes that need filled with volunteers or the future events may be in jeopardy. Jason Proksch has generously stepped up this past weekend to volunteer as the Timing and Scoring Chief for the remainder of the season...which only leaves SOLO SAFETY STEWARDS that are needed for the rest of the year. I would like to thank everybody who did step up and volunteer and ask that the safety stewards contact me ASAP in order to fill in the needed gaps.

As I write this, we are preparing for this weekends SUBARU Challenge event in Lafayette, IN and have the LOTUS event behind us. I would also like to thank the volunteers for these events as without you, they wouldn't have happened. Its people like YOU that make our club what it is today!

Another thing that has arisen this past week is a question I would like everyone to ask themselves. IS YOUR CAR CLASSED PROPERLY? It is the sole responsibility of the driver to be assured that their car is classed properly according to the published 2008 SCCA Solo Rulebook. If other members are mentioning to you that your car may be in the wrong class please don't hesitate to come to the bus and ask Will or myself about the details or to use the Official Rule Book. We would be happy to either come ourselves or send a qualified individual to inspect your car and help assure your car is properly classed in the correct and legal class. Again...it is the responsibility of the individual drivers to make sure your car is classed properly but can be contested formally by any other driver in the class. Typically one never gets contested until they achieve some success in a particular class and other competitors start looking over the vehicle...so to be safe...MAKE SURE YOU ARE CLASSED PROPERLY to avoid working to the

top tier of a class only to be moved to a different class later in the season after its discovered that your car was mis-classed and its formally contested or brought to attention and fixed before being formally contested. As event managers, we cannot verify each and every participant is properly classed before each race...therefore it becomes a self policed assignment to a great degree. It's the member responsibility to class their car correctly and the other member's responsibilities to bring it to light if a mistake is made on your part. This is why I say, if its being mentioned to you several times that you might be classed incorrectly...please take a moment to check! It's in your best interest!

As we continue through the remainder of the season I wish you each the best of luck in the series. It's been really exciting watching this year unfold! Should anybody have any questions or concerns whatsoever feel free to contact Michael Benz or Will Lahee at any time and we will do our absolute best to help you out!

2008 Remaining Event Schedule:

- September 7th – "Nationals Warm-up, Double Down!"
Points Event #6 – Grissom Aeroplex
- October 5th – "Aussie! Aussie! Aussie! (Pursuit)" Points
Event #7 – 16th St. Stadium
- October 26th – "Season Lands @ Grissom", Peru
- November 2nd – "Worker's Invitational" – 16th St. Stadium

Please watch Clutch Chatter, www.indyscca.org website, the Indy Regional Yahoo e-Group and the Indy Forum on SCCAForums.com for late breaking news. As always, the solo chairs can be contacted at:

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Indy Region Mid-Season Solo Points as of August 19

Driver	Points	Driver	Points	Driver	Points	Driver	Points
Super Stock		Frank Dennis	7	Vincent Vergara	21	Paul German	6
Jack Tovey	33	B Stock		Bob Farr	12	F Stock	
Randal Boone	19	Paul Crisostomo	24	Chris Carson	7	Sean Murphy	30
Manny Papandreas	12	Jerry Cunningham	9	Tim McLoughlin	1	Chris Hacker	28
Joe Wade	9	C Stock		E Stock		Mike Glass	24
Sunday Ross	6	Geoff Gallup	33	Ryan Kowalewski	36	Kyle Ulshafer	9
A Stock		Darren Daubenspeck	21	Michael Gough	12	Brian Steverweld	9
Shahab Sakha	24	Kaylee O'Brien	18	Joe Aiello	9	Ernesto Calderon	7
Michael Johnson	21	Lou Savion	12	Cooper Lacy	9	Nathan Glass	6
David Shreve	19	Bryan Deane	7	Bob Farr	9	John Furby	6
Greg Lukach	9	D Stock		Bruce Durell	9	Robert Heeter	6
Peggy Keller	9	Roland Bayly	42	Doug Hale	7	Brett Bollinger	3

Indy Region Mid-Season Solo Points as of August 19 (continued)

Driver	Points	Driver	Points	Driver	Points	Driver	Points
F Stock Ladies		E Street Prepared Ladies		Street Touring S (continued)		SM Street Tire (continued)	
Kelly Allen	12	Mary Walgamuth	12	Justin Buffington	1	Greg Murphy	10
G Stock		F Street Prepared		Justin Short	1	Todd Anderson	9
Kyle Ulshafer	12	James Hill	12	Street Touring S2		Gretchen Lee	8
Jay Nogan	12	X Prepared		Harold Hammerly	30	Scott Herzog	8
Konstantin Bulgakov	12	Michael LeVeque	21	Braian Tabor	24	Benjamin Newburn	6
Brayn Kostelac	12	James Lin	12	Guy Schalnat	12	Jason Proksch	6
Ian Girvan	9	C Prepared		David Dusterberg	9	Dale Brier	5
Luke Allen	9	Jeff Rapp	12	Mark Thomson	7	George Walker	5
Garry Houghton	8	Robert Richwine	12	Patricia Smith	7	Travis Camp	4
Jorge Lopez	7	E Prepared		Mike Martin	6	Chris Snyder	4
Mark Luehrmann	6	Ryan Walden	12	Street Touring X		Les Ramirez	4
Steven Washington	6	F Prepared		David Sockrider	33	Tim Meggenhofen	3
Stefan Girvan	5	Matthew Boron	12	Bryan Welch	23	Doug Robertson	3
Cole Tuner	5	Zach Kutson	9	Andrew Madson	18	Dan Levey	2
James Luehrmann	4	B Modified		Brad Riehle	12	Jeremy Meadows	2
Christopher Than	4	Clemens Burger	24	Pat Gilbert	12	James Feltz	2
G Stock Ladies		Joan Kearns	9	Warren Kniesly	12	Francisco Gutierrez	1
Weena Lopez	12	C Modified		Patrick Gilbert	12	Tom Sutton	1
H Stock		Mark Lamm	24	Casey Szink	9	Nathan Herk	1
Bill Farr	12	Raymond Thomas	9	Jacob Zuniga	6	Jason Fletcher	1
Jeremiah Stotler	12	Randall Turner	7	Brad Scaggs	6	David Patrick	1
Brent Kalman	12	D Modified		Richard Miller	5	Kevin Dunmire	1
Randy Hall	9	Stephen Brinkerhoff	36	Jason Lindsey	4	Richard Reyes	1
Andrew Janik	9	Paul Snyder	28	Fred Foxworthy	3	Russell Shireman	1
Michael Hacker	9	Michael LeVeque	9	Cristina Kniesly	1	Benjamin Chang	1
Nathan Kinney	7	E Modified		Street Touring Ultra		Christopher Woodbury	1
A Street Prepared		Lee Miller	42	Matthew Jordan	34	Josh Mayo	1
Aaron Haskell	21	Warren LeVeque	38	Marshall Radwin	26	Pete Geoffrion	1
Phil Wehman	16	Mark Scott	20	Nick Myers	25	Street Modified 2	
Chris Northway	12	Ben Scott	12	Luke Wilson	24	Sean Seamon	45
C Street Prepared		Josh McDonough	9	Justin McCatchy	18	James Moore	12
Jeff Alexander	31	Cole Hudson	7	Vito Mazzola	14	Clint Pleasant	9
Mark Galovic	27	F Modified		John Cronin	7	Jacob Vandeibilt	9
Ted Drummond	26	Charles Lemeron	24	Pat Kent	5	Scott Mckay	8
Joel Harleman	13	Street Touring S		Kelly Rudd	3	Junior Kart 3 (FJB)	
Leonardo Bonvino	13	Bob Miller	33	STU Ladies		Robby Linn	21
Steve Wright	12	Kyle Roland	22	Kelly Cogdill	24	Marissa Linn	16
Brandon Lavender	7	David Dusterberg	12	Street Modified		Parker Dales	12
Bryan Alexander	5	Edward Funk	12	Robert Richwine	28	Expert Class	
Jason Kohler	2	Eric Brunamonti	12	Michael Benz	24	Kevin Kent	33
D Street Prepared		Andrew Burrows	12	James Bose	16	Geoffrey Chambers	30
Brian Gard	33	Leslie Ramirez	11	John Wilmoth	13	Brian Davis	27
Valerie Gard	16	Vic Brunamonti	9	Paul Lazaro	12	Gustavo Hammerly	25
Steve Linn	12	CJ Stringer	9	Scott Dales	12	Will Lahee	19
Jimmy Stine	9	Ross Robertson	7	Michael Leveque	7	Ron Conrad	18
David Dusterberg	7	Andy Greenlee	7	Tom Schlachet	5	Raleigh Boreen	10
Chase Kaufman	6	Curtis Wade	7	Street Modified Ladies		Larry Harts	9
Jake Watson	6	Chase Kaufman	6	Tracy McLean	12	Jerry Strobe	5
James Lin	5	Jeremy Garrett	6	Street Modified Street Tire		Daniel Stone	5
James Nickolas	1	Nathan Kinney	5	Kevin Miller	45	Velma Boreen	3
E Street Prepared		Matt Reeves	4	Jay Warfel	23		
Brian Karns	48	Cody WinZenread	3	Chris French	20		
Stephen Povalac	9	Taylor Forster	2	James Priest	20		
Tom Walgamuth	9			Scott Dales	18		
Andrew Dexo	9			Tony Johnson	12		

August 17 CSCC vs Indy Showdown II Results 16th Street

Driver	Best Time	Driver	Best Time	Driver	Best Time
Super Stock		C Prepared		Street Modified Street Tire	
Manny Papandreas	53.818	Robert Richwine	57.342	Kevin Miller	53.410
Jack Tovey	56.466			Chris French	53.893
A Stock		B Modified		Tony Johnson	54.518
Shahab Sakha	54.415	Clemens Burger	43.172	Gretchen Lee	54.829
Michael Johnson	54.725	Fast Time of the Day		James Priest	55.245
David Shreve	54.942	and PAX FTD		Jay Warfel	55.249
C Stock		C Modified		Benjamin Newburn	55.538
Darren Daubenspeck	53.266	Mark Lamm	46.350	Jason Proksch	55.681
Geoff Gallup	54.403	Raymond Thomas	46.550	Dan Levey	56.564
Bryan Deane	56.864	Randall Turner	48.245	Dale Brier	56.613
D Stock		D Modified		Chris Snyder	57.311
Roland Bayly	57.095	Paul Snyder	60.932	Jeremy Meadows	57.514
Vincent Vergara	57.385	E Modified		Travis Camp	58.459
E Stock		Lee Miller	52.707	Tim Meggenhofen	59.081
Ryan Kowalewski	54.751	Warren Leveque	53.075	Doug Robertson	59.600
Bob Farr	58.282	Mark Scott	55.612	Richard Reyes	63.128
F Stock		Ben Scott	58.496	Benjamin Chang	63.774
Chris Hacker	56.792	F Modified		Pete Geoffrion	0.000
Sean Murphy	57.419	Charles Lameron	54.583	Street Modified 2	
Ernesto Calderon	58.349			Sean Seamon	54.897
Robert Heeter	61.052				
Kyle Ulshafer	62.895	Street Touring S		Expert	
G Stock		Kyle Roland	56.473	Raleigh Boreen	50.087
Brayn Kostelac	61.068	Bob Miller	57.029	Kevin Kent	51.019
H Stock		Edward Funk	59.396	Daniel Stone	51.768
Jeremiah Stotler	56.735	Jeremy Garrett	59.675	Brian Davis	52.195
Michael Hacker	60.433	Nathan Kinney	63.920	Gustavo Hammerly	52.468
		Street Touring S 2		Geoffrey Chambers	52.667
A Street Prepared		Guy Schalnat	58.161	Velma Boreen	53.160
Aaron Haskell	52.315	Street Touring X		Ron Conrad	53.163
Phil Wehman	53.346	Patrick Gilbert	56.152	Will Lahee	53.165
C Street Prepared		David Sackrider	56.446		
Ted Drummond	53.058	Bryan Welch	57.070	Expert	PAX Adj.
Jeff Alexander	57.579	Brad Riehle	58.171	Kevin Kent	42.345
D Street Prepared		Richard Miller	62.029	Brian Davis	42.591
Brian Gard	51.886	Street Touring Ultra		Raleigh Boreen	42.874
Jimmy Stine	56.456	Matthew Jordan	53.952	Gustavo Hammerly	42.918
David Dusterberg	56.493	Marshall Radwin	54.033	Daniel Stone	43.019
Chase Kaufman	58.085	John Cronin	59.629	Geoffrey Chambers	43.081
James Lin	58.661	Street Modified		Ron Conrad	43.381
E Street Prepared		Scott Dales	53.658	Will Lahee	43.382
Brian Karns	54.160	Michael Benz	57.013	Velma Boreen	45.505
Tom Walgamuth	58.037	Michael Leveque	57.270		
E Street Prepared Ladies		Street Modified Ladies			
Mary Walgamuth	63.665	Tracy McLean	64.015		

For more information on Indy Region SCCA Solo events, go to: <http://www.indyscca.org/SoloPage.html>



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Indy Regional Solo Series Points Event 6 "Nationals Warmup Double Down"



Indianapolis Region Solo Series Sunday, Sept 7th, 2008 Rain or Shine

Location: **Grissom Aeroplex, Peru, IN** **Karts Allowed at this Event.**



Note: A Minor Waiver must be signed by BOTH parents or legal guardians. A parent or legal guardian must accompany all Minors during the entire event. Contact the Solo Chairmen for copies of Minor Waivers before the event.

Restrictions on high center of gravity vehicles are also applicable. Contact the Solo Chairmen for more details.

Registration & Tech: 8:00 AM – 9:30 AM Driver's Meeting: 10:00 AM Event Start: 10:15 AM

Cost: \$20.00 SCCA Members, \$35.00 Non-Members *(Non-Member fee includes temporary SCCA membership)*



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16th St Kangaroo Chase (Sometimes called an Australian Pursuit?)



Indianapolis Region Solo2 Series Sunday, October 5 Points event number 7

Location: 16th St. Speedway Rain or Shine (Them Kangaroos are FAST in the rain!!)



Sorry, no karts at this event.

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Indianapolis has the two top National teams in GTA-Sportsman's Class. And the race tightened up with the running of the J4-2 rally on Aug. 24 as the second place team of Cara Rondot and Ted Drummond eked out a victory over the first place team of Wendy Harrison and Susan Vogt. And here is the best part – both teams are going to step up and do events this competition year. Wendy and Susan are going to take the Oct. 19 date that Peter Hylton had to abandon when he got asked to make the extremely important career step of applying for tenure at IUPUI.

Um – the last paragraph doesn't seem to have worked out quite right. I started out congratulating our two nationally ranked GTA teams and ended up mentioning Pete Hylton's potential tenure at IUPUI. That really deserves a paragraph of its own. Peter has really started to make a mark at IUPUI with the initiation of the nation's first Bachelors Degree program in motorsports. Being asked to apply for tenure means that the powers at the University have recognized Peter's efforts. Congratulations Peter! And as reported elsewhere, he does the Regional Race program, and writes books, and serves as the SCCA National Archivist, and helps Wendy run a B & B, and ... the list just seems to go on forever.

I have pre-checked the Road To Providence, which is the Sept. 21 event. As mentioned, this is a GTA only event. Sam has suffered some frustration with the weather as well. Several roads and loops that he planned to use were still closed when I pre-checked a week ago. Extra effort required on his part, but the roads are interesting and the questions will keep you very alert.

Wendy and Susan are considering a GTA to be run entirely inside Marion County. As Arte Johnson used to say on Laugh-In; "Velly Inferesting!" I look forward to seeing what they come up with.

Cara and Ted would like to resurrect an event that I think was last put on by our esteemed Regional Executive, but I can't remember how long ago. That is a map rally at night with all of the questions being answered via the exploration of cemeteries. And combined with a Halloween costume party. I remember running the event, and it was a hoot. I hope that we can make this one work as well.

Jack Banker, solo racer and Lotus Club member, has given me a rally that he helped organize for this year's Lotus Club national convention. It is also a GTA style event that I hope to get incorporated into the 2009 schedule.

Speaking of the 2009 schedule, it is time to start thinking seriously about it. I have to admit that I bit off too much in attempting to do four consecutive events this year. I think that realistically, I can do an event no more often

than about 8-10 weeks apart. Therefore, if we want to have monthly events, the rest of you are going to have to step up to fill in the blanks. Dan Cook has agreed to develop an event for next spring; either March or April, which is before his busy business season. Just floating an idea here to start the conversation, but Cara & Ted; How about making the Halloween event an annual affair? (The points rules state that competitors have to work one event in a manner that prevents their participation as a competitor. Rallymaster, pre-checker, and control worker all meet this criteria. However, rallymaster is the only one that gets you points toward the Local Championship.)

The General Instructions for the September rally will be posted on the web site by September 9. Feel free to study these and e-mail questions to me by Sept. 19. Questions should be in a form that can be answered yes, no, or will not occur. I will post the answers at registration. Feel free to fill in a Registration Form on-line and e-mail it to me as well. (GTA competitors need to use the EN form). Then all I have to do at registration is see your drivers license, collect your money, and have you sign the liability waiver (and fill out a temporary membership form if you are not a member).

Firm dates for 2008: (These events count up to 10 points toward the National Championship) as well as for the Regional Championship and for Competitor of the Year.

Sept. 21 – Road to Providence - Sam Crites (GTA only)
Oct. 19 – Still unnamed – Wendy Harrison & Susan Vogt (GTA only)
Oct. 31 – Unnamed – Ted Drummond & Cara Rondot (GTA only)(Halloween night cemetery crawl)
Nov. 16 – Still unnamed – Jeanne Spellman / Jay Quinn (2009 Championship event)

As an explanation of the last event; there is a season ending event called the USRRC (United States Road Rally Challenge) that is held the third weekend in October (moved to last weekend this year). All events occurring after that are scored for the following years championship.

For those of you who would like to do more rallying, but would like to stay within day-trip radius, there is a Champaign County Sports Car Club in Champaign, IL that is putting on a pretty nice series of events. Sam Crites and I attended the Aug. 10 event and finished second. They have more events scheduled for Sept. 7 and Sept. 27. I will ask John to add their event flyers to the web site.

RALLY CHAIRPERSON **Chuck Hanson**, Indianapolis, IN 317-780-9007 E-mail: dtcgh@verizon.net

Jinxed Junket / Journey / Jaunt (J4-2) Rally Results

August 24, 2008

Type	Class	In Class	Driver	Navigator	Car Type	Points
Tour	S	1	Bob Farr Whiteland, IN	Kathy Troyer Whiteland, IN	Dodge	485
Course	S	1	Jonathin Flora Champaign, IL	Jonathin Flora Champaign, IL	Nissan	493
GTA	Exp	1	Cara Rondot Indianapolis, IN	Ted Drummond Indianapolis, IN	VW	4
GTA	Nov	1	Susan Vogt Indianapolis, IN	Wendy Harrison Indianapolis, IN	VW	5
GTA	Exp	2	Sam Crites Greenwood, IN	Beth Crites Greenwood, IN	Buick	7

Road To Providence

Fifth Rally for 2008! Sunday, September 21

Rallymaster Sam Crites invites you to take a tour of mid-south Indiana. A GTA rally for All to enjoy!

Starting at: Meier Plaza (SR 135 –West end of Main St. in Greenwood, about 1.5 miles S. of County Line)

Registration starts 12:00 PM Drivers Meeting 12:45 PM First Car out at 1:00 + car number

End Location will be divulged at Drivers Meeting.

Entry fee Members \$20 per car One Non-Members \$25 per car Two Non-Members \$30 per car

For more information contact Chuck Hanson, 317-780-9007, dtcgh@verizon.net.

EXPLANATORY NOTE: GTA stands for Game Tour Adventure. The important thing about a GTA event is that there are no mathematical calculations required. In this case, people will be scored on a combination of responses: i.e. which part of an A/B instruction did they do, and answers to a series of questions inserted among the instructions.

Non-members get a temporary weekend membership in SCCA, which puts them under the SCCA insurance umbrella, plus a certificate that entitles them to a \$15 discount on a full membership. The certificate is good for 60 days from the date of issue, and you are entitled to use two certificates; a \$30 value for \$10 investment.

Make plans NOW to come out and join the FUN in 2008 with the Indy Region Rallies!!

I let my mind wander, and it never came back!

Membership Report

By Brian Gard

We would like to welcome these new members to the Indianapolis Region of the Sports Car Club of America:

Gabriele F Giuliani West Lafayette
 Craig H Bradley New Palestine
 Eric C Scroggins Indianapolis

Conor Daly
 Denny Johnson
 Jia Hwan Hoo

Noblesville
 Carmel
 West Lafayette

We look forward to seeing you at an Indy Region event in the near future. With the addition of these new enthusiasts, the Indy Region is currently 474 members strong.

2008 Great Lakes Div Race Schedule with other events

DATE	DRIVERS SCHOOLS	REGIONALS	GREAT LAKES NATIONALS	CENDIV OR MIDIV NATIONALS	OTHER EVENTS
Sep 6 - 7		OVR @ MO (D)(C)			
Sep 13 - 14					
Sep 16 - 19		Solo National Championships at Heartland Park Topeka			
Sep 19 - 21					VSCDA @ RA
Oct 6 - 12		Runoffs at Heartland Park Topeka			
Oct 11 - 12		OVR @ MO (D)(C)			
Oct 25 - 26				R/R @ Gateway	

GM-GingerMan	GRA-Grattan	M-O-Mid Ohio	NL-Nelson Ledges
ORP-O'Reilly Raceway Park Indy	WAT-Waterford Hills	HPT - Heartland Park Topeka	MM- Milwaukee Mile
ABJ- Autobahn Joliet	BHF-Blackhawk Farms	GIR - Gateway International	RA-Road America
(C) GLDiv Regional Champ Series	(R) Restricted	(D) Double	

Indy Region Racers National Point Standings as of 7/27

Driver	Place	Races	Pts	Class
Jason Knuteson	1	4	48	F500
James Weida	7	4	8	F500
Jacek Mucha	1	5	24	FA
Bill Baten	2	5	51	T2
Chris Jennerjahn	2	4	39	FV
Gerry Mason	2	4	37	GT2
Brad Hayes	2	4	30	FF
Michael Baden	3	4	28	FF
Ralph Porter	4	5	38	SSB
John Salisbury	2	4	40	HP
Not Runoffs Qualified				
Jerry Weida II	8	1	7	F500
David Bleke	3	2	2	FA
John Larue	1	3	23	FC
Bobby Caldwell	5	1	9	FC
Tim Flock	7	1	9	FC
Johnny Reisert	9	1	7	FC
Brian Jennerjahn	5	2	12	FV
Zach Leeke	12	1	4	FV
Mike Landon	14	1	0	FV
David Bleke	5	2	16	GT2
Craig Jones	8	1	6	FF
Bill Partridge	2	2	18	GTL
Paul Holeman	6	3	13	FM
David Schacht	8	3	13	SRF
Ben Brinn	16	3	2	SRF
Stu Coomer	18	3	1	SRF
Dennis Brown	8	2	12	SM

Runoffs Qualification Explained

The Runoffs are the SCCA Amateur Championships, with the best drivers from the 8 Divisions in each of 25 classes competing for the title National Champion. The Runoffs are an Invitational meet, and the drivers must meet certain qualifications to get the invitation.

The Driver must have qualified for 4 National Races in the year, and Finished 3 of them. At least 2 of the races must have been in the drivers Division of record. A driver who finishes within the top 10 in points, but does not have the required 4 starts, does not qualify for the runoffs. A driver could be 5th in points on only 3 races. Without the 4th race, he is not eligible for the runoffs.

The Driver must be in the top 10 in points in his Division, counting no more than 2 out of Division races, and have a minimum of 4 points. Points are awarded for finishing First (12 Points), 2nd (9), 3rd (7), and decreasing 1 point per position from 4th thru ninth. Only the Drivers best 6 finishes are counted for the points total.

TOPEKA, Kan. – Sports Car Club of America, Inc. has launched a new program designed to encourage membership growth by rewarding current members who refer new members to the organization.

For each new member referral generated, current SCCA members will receive a \$5 discount on their next National dues renewal. With National dues currently set at \$60, if a member is responsible for 12 new members, the program would make their next year's dues free.

In addition to the recruiting member receiving an incentive, new members activated through the program will receive a one-time discount of \$15 off their National dues for an individual and \$20 off a family membership.

To qualify for the program, the new member may not have been an SCCA member in the previous 18 months.

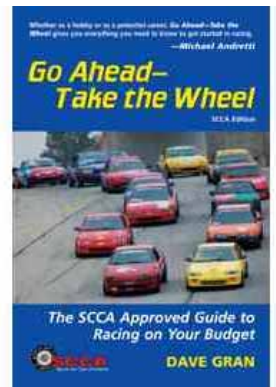
In order to receive credit for referring a new member, the recruit must provide your name and membership number when they sign up. This may be done via SCCA.com (preferred), phone, fax or mail.

Book Report SCCA's Guide to Racing "Go Ahead – Take the Wheel"

You may have already heard some of the buzz surrounding the SCCA edition of the book "Go Ahead – Take the Wheel." What you may not be fully aware of are the benefits this resource can provide our region, prospective members, and existing members. Let me ask you this, have you ever been approached by someone asking how they can begin racing with the SCCA? Or have you known anyone that might have interested in racing but simply didn't have the necessary information to make it a reality? All too often novices do not even recognize all of the questions they should be asking leading to further confusion.

This book does a great job of simplifying the process and essentially invites readers on a guest tour of the inner workings of our club. It provides detailed information on Solo racing, Performance Driving Experience events, opportunities for volunteering with the club, and wheel-to-wheel Club Racing. It truly is a "How To" of SCCA racing.

So next time someone does approach you asking how they can begin racing, just point them to the SCCA Collection website (www.SCCACollection.com) where this guide can be found. (Books may also be ordered by calling 888-267-2187.) This 192-page book is sold solely by the SCCA national office and its regions for \$16.95.



Clutch Chatter Mailing Opt-In/Opt-Out

A complete, printable, electronic format copy of Clutch Chatter (including back issues) is available in Adobe pdf format for downloading on the Indy Region website at indyscca.org. Paper copies are only mailed to those who have sent the "Opt-In" form.

When an issue of Clutch Chatter is completed and ready for publication, the pdf file will be posted on the Indy Region website and a **special notice e-mail** will be sent to the Indy Region e-group with a link to the download page. This should be available several days before the mailed copies arrive, since it won't have to go through the printer or the mail.

New members of Indy Region will receive Clutch Chatter in the mail for two months, after which they are expected to view or download from the website. They will be able to elect to opt-in by filling out and mailing in the form below.

Non-members. Clutch Chatter is a valuable tool for recruiting new members into the region, and drawing participants to our events. Our plan is to add non-member competitors to the mailing list for two months. If they participate in another event during the two months, then they stay on the list for two more months.

If you **change your mind**, you can complete and mail in the form below.

Opt-In/ Opt-Out Form

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800-770-2055 www.scca.com

Membership Application

Dear Prospective SCCA Member:

To apply for membership in the Sports Car Club of America, the world's largest member participation automotive organization, please complete the form below in full and return, with payment, to your region or the SCCA Membership Department, PO Box 299, Topeka, Kansas 66601-0299.

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

Name _____ Birthdate ____/____/____
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 Member Number If Current Member _____

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03 Name _____ Birthdate ____/____/____
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Have you been an SCCA member before? No Yes Year ____ Previous Member Number _____

PRIMARY INTEREST(S) IN SCCA: Please send me a Crew License.(Check box)

Please indicate the area(s) of SCCA in which you plan to participate, or which interest you most. Your response will be used to allocate your national dues to the areas you indicate. Thank you.

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Annual National dues		Annual Region dues		Total
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03 Spouse Member*	\$20.00 +	Spouse Member	\$10.00	\$30.00
10 Family Membership	\$95.00 +	Family Membership	\$25.00	\$120.00

*Spouse must be regular member's legal spouse.

First Gear Membership (**You must be under age 24**)
 Birthdate: ____/____/____

	National	Region	Total
15 First Gear	\$ 35.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 45.00

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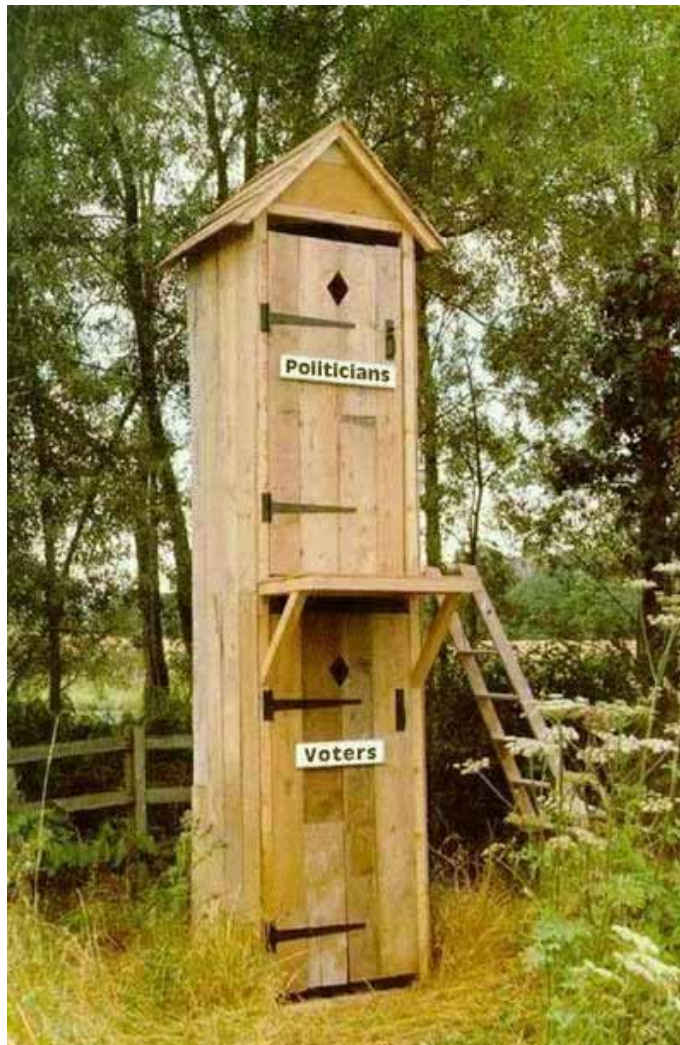
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If you have thoughts on the subject, or wish to register a response, call (900) DILLIGAS

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